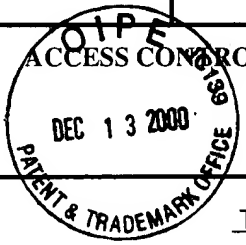
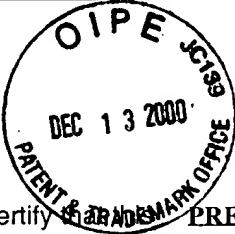
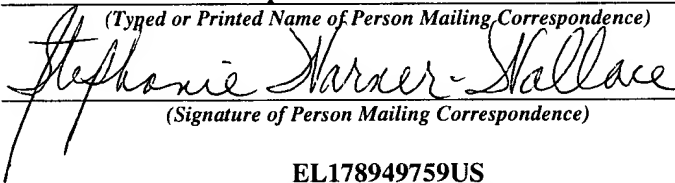


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Prior to examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-11 without prejudice and substitute therefore the following new claims: